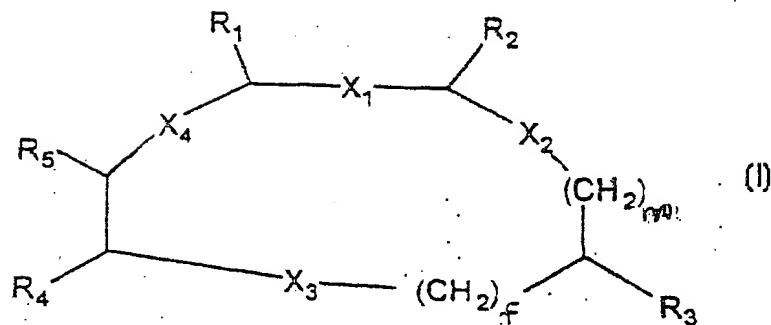
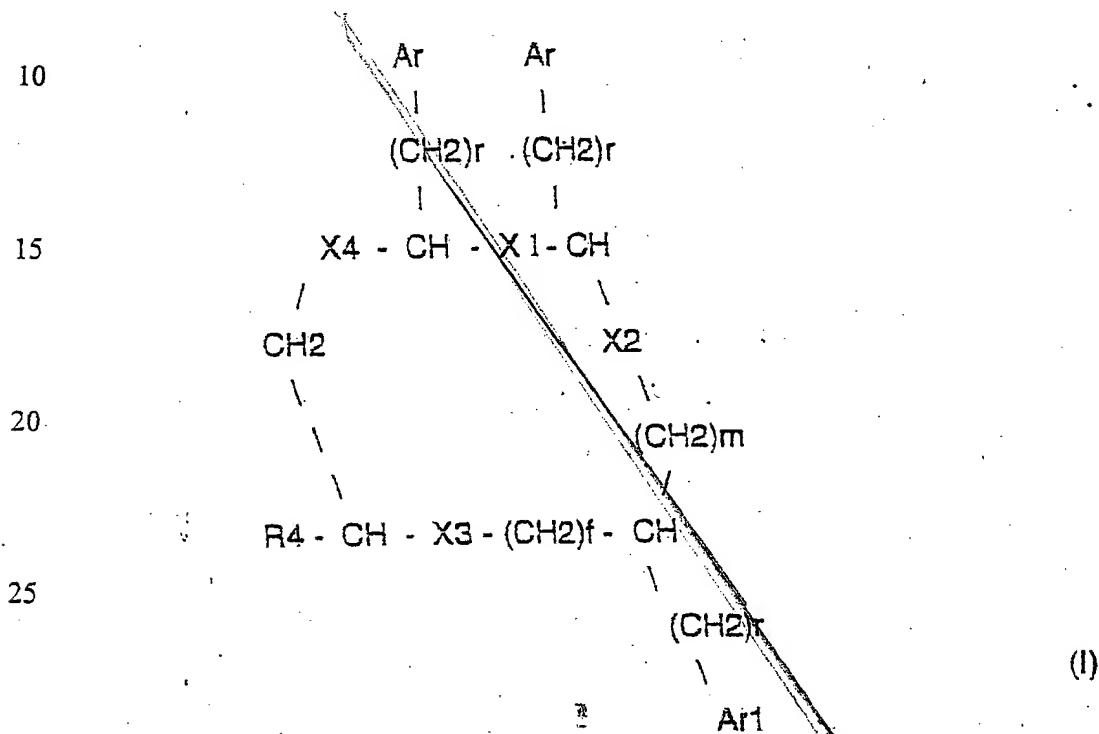


In response to the Advisory Action of August 19, 2003 in the above-identified application,  
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

5 Page 1, structural formula:



IN THE SPECIFICATION (Continued)

On page 1, line 29-32 to page 1a, line 2:

- 5         $-(CH_2)_r Ar_4$  where  $r$  is 0, 1 or 2 and  $Ar_4$  is an aromatic group chosen among: benzene, naphthalene, thiophene, benzothiophene, pyridine, quinoline, indole, furan, benzofuran, thiazole, benzothiazole, imidazole, benzoimidazole, possibly substituted with up to 2 groups chosen among:  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$  haloalkyl,  $C_{1-3}$  alkyloxy and  $C_{2-4}$  amino-alkyloxy, halogens, OH,  $NH_2$ ,  $NR_6 R_7$ , where  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are the same or different and are H or  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl.

- 10      d) on page 2, lines 2-12:

$R_9$  is a methanesulfonyl, tosyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydrothiopyranyl possible mono or di-substituted by oxygen on the S atom, piperidyl possibly optionally substituted on the N atom by a  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$  acyl, aminosulfonyl, methanesulfonyl; or a group  $(CH_2)_g R_{10}$  where  $g$  is 1, 2, or 3 and  $R_{10}$  is chosen among morpholine, furan, or CN; or  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  together with the N atom to which they are  
15      linked form a piperazine possibly optionally substituted at the other N atom ~~one of its nitrogen atoms~~ by  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$  acyl or methanesulfonyl;

At page 4, line 12,

$R_4$  is a group chosen among:

- 20       ~~$-NR_8 R_9$~~   $-N(R_{11})CO(CH_2)_h R_{12}$ ; or  $-COR_{13}$ ; where  $R_5$  is H; where  $R_8$  is H or  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl; and  $h$  is 0, 1, 2, or 3;

At page 4, beginning with the last three words on line 21,  
 and R<sub>12</sub> is chosen among: morpholine, pyrrolidine ~~possibly~~ optionally substituted with an hydroxy or  
 hydroxymethyl, piperidine ~~possibly~~ optionally substituted with a ~~group~~ 4-hydroxy/ or 4-  
 carboxyamido group ~~or aminosulfonyl~~, piperazine ~~possibly~~ optionally substituted on the N-atom by  
 5 4-aminosulfonyl, C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl, triazole, tetrazole, 5-mercapto-tetrazole, furan, thiophene,  
 thiomorpholine, ~~possibly~~ optionally mono or di-oxygenated on the S-atom, ~~amine-cyclohexane and~~  
cyclohexan-1-yl- ~~possibly~~ optionally substituted by an a hydroxy group.

g and h) on page 5, lines 15-16:

10 R<sub>9</sub> is a group chosen among: 4-tetrahydropyranyl, ~~4-tetraiodothiopyranyl~~  
4-tetrahydrothiopyranyl, ~~1-oxotetraiodothiopyran-4-yl~~ 1-oxotetrahydrothiopyran-4-yl,  
 1,1 dioxo-tetrahydrothiopyran-4-yl, N-methyl-4-piperidinyl,  
 N-methanesulfonyl-4-piperidinyl, N-aminosulfonyl-4-piperidinyl, or R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> together with the N  
 atom to which they are linked represent N-methyl-piperazinyl, N-acetyl-piperazinyl, piperazinyl, N-  
 15 methanesulfonyl-piperazinyl.